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## REMARKS/ARGUMENIS

Reconsideration of the above-identified application respectfully requested. Applicant notes with appreciation the examiner's indication that claims 12-27, 45-66, and 109-118 are in condition for allowance. With the present amendment, claims 1-11, 28-44, and 67-108 have been cancelled as non-elected claims.

In view of the above, Applicant respectfully requests that the case be passed to issuance.

Respectfully submitted,

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